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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

~~Kiyokazu~~ MORIIZUMI

~~Serial No.:~~ 09/783,598

Group Art Unit: 2841

~~Filed:~~ February 15, 2001

Examiner: Quynh-Nhu H. VU

~~For:~~ FRONT-AND-BACK ELECTRICALLY CONDUCTIVE SUBSTRATE
AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SAME

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RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION
AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENTS
DATED DECEMBER 5, 2001

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

January 7, 2002

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated December 5,
2001.

In the outstanding Action, restriction is required between Group (1), claims 1-9
and 13-16, drawn to the front and back electrically conductive substrate and Group (2), claims
10-12, drawn to a method for manufacturing a front-and-back electrically conductive substrate.

Also, if Group (1) is elected, election was required among Species (1A), Figs. 1-5;
Species (1B), Figs. 6-8; Species (1C), Figs. 9-10; or Species (1D), Figs. 11-15.

The applicants, without traverse, elect to prosecute the subject matter of Group
(I), claims 1-6 for prosecution in this application, and elect the species embodying Species (1A)
directed to Figs. 1-5.

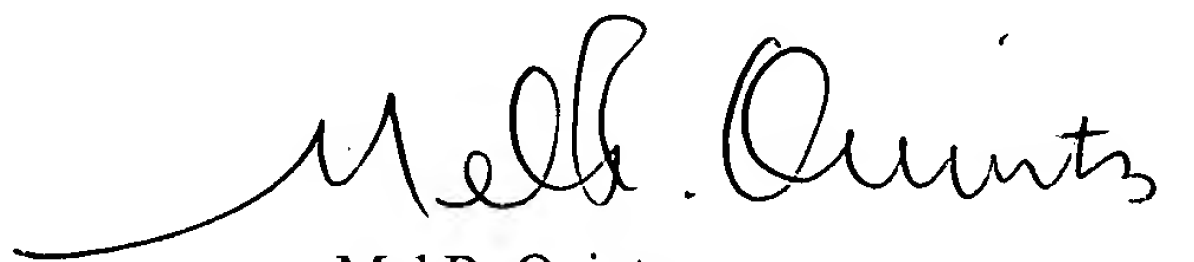
These elections are made without traverse, it being understood that the applicants' rights to the filing of Divisional applications directed to the non-elected claimed subject matters under 35 USC §120 and 35 USC §121 are retained.

The applicants respectfully request an early examination on the elected claims and favorable action on the merits. If the Examiner has any questions with this Response, please feel free to call the undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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